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Kind Statement on Retirement of Justice Sandra Day O'Connor

Washington, DC – U.S. Rep. Ron Kind (D-WI) issued the following statement on the retirement of Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor:

“I commend Justice Sandra Day O'Connor on a distinguished and accomplished career and for blazing the trail for women onto the U.S. Supreme Court. I am honored to have been sworn in to the Supreme Court Bar by Justice O'Connor on a day when the Chief Justice was absent and she was presiding over the Court as the first woman ever to do so.

“During her time on the Supreme Court bench, Justice O'Connor served as a model of independence and was a voice of moderation consistent with the spirit of a fair and balanced judiciary. As the President considers her successor, it is incumbent upon him to choose a consensus nominee who will uphold that spirit and maintain the integrity of an independent judiciary as part of our system of checks and balances.”